

### **REMARKS**

The Office Action mailed March 22, 2004, has been carefully considered. The present Amendment is intended to be a complete response thereto and to place the case in condition for allowance.

Claims 108-109, 112-113, 115-130, and 132 are pending. Claims 1-107, 110-111, 114, 131, and 133-140 have been cancelled.

#### **THE CLAIMS ARE NOT INDEFINITE**

Claims 114 and 131 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Although the Examiner recites claim 14 as being rejected in the Office Action, Applicant believes that the Examiner meant to reject claim 114 instead, because claim 14 has been cancelled and the rejection refers to the language of claim 114. The rejection is moot because claims 114 and 131 have been cancelled in the present Amendment.

#### **ALLOWABLE CLAIMS**

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner indicating claims 108-109, 112-113, 115-130, and 132 as being allowable. Applicant respectfully points out that only allowable claims are now pending.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Applicant has responded to the Office action mailed March 22, 2004. All of the claims are now believed to be allowable; and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

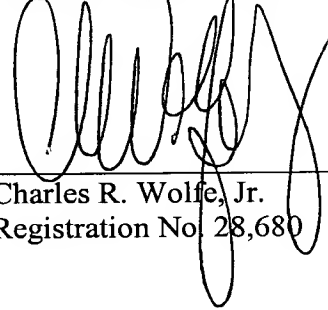
In the event that there are any questions relating to this Amendment or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the examiner would telephone the

undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that the prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (000744-00077). In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this response, applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Any fees due are authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,



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